

Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20515

November 1, 2022

The Honorable Nancy Pelosi
Speaker
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Kevin McCarthy
Republican Leader
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Speaker Pelosi and Leader McCarthy:

As bipartisan Members of Congress from the Great Lakes region, we write to share our strong interest in final passage of the Water Resources Development Act of 2022 (WRDA). In June, the House passed H.R. 7776 with overwhelming, bipartisan support. In July, the Senate passed its version of the legislation with a strong, bipartisan vote.

WRDA includes important provisions for the Great Lakes region, including:

- language expediting work on the Great Lakes Coastal Resiliency Study. This comprehensive analysis will assist our states and communities to better respond to future shoreline impacts.
- language revising the cost share for modifications to the Brandon Road Lock and Dam. This critical project will help protect the Great Lakes and our aquatic ecosystems from invasive carp.
- language authorizing the study of the economic benefits of recreational boating on the Great Lakes.
- language updating the authorization for the Soo Lock project to ensure that construction of this critical navigation infrastructure can proceed on schedule.

Each of these priorities will have a broad benefit on the Great Lakes region and the nation. We urge that a final conference agreement be brought to the floor for enactment prior to the end of this Congress. Thank you very much.

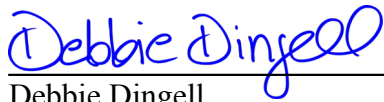
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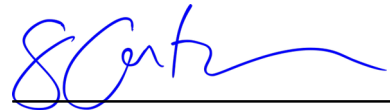
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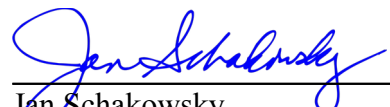
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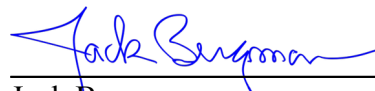
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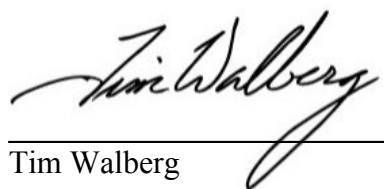
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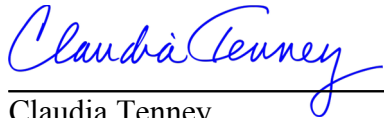
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